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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Thomas L. Hughes
Director of Intelligence and Research
Department of State

SUBJECT : North Vietnamese Civilian Casualty
Claims

1. In response to your request of 3 March, I attach three copies of a special [redacted] memorandum on Hanoi propaganda claims of civilian bombing casualties.

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2. As you proposed, we have done an exhaustive analysis of all broadcasts made since December 1966. In addition, we have tabulated the casualties claimed in broadcast North Vietnamese official protests to the International Control Commission for the period February 1965 through November 1966. Although these tallies are not comparable with the figures derived from our comprehensive study, they constitute a benchmark of sorts.

3. I think the results of these studies are interesting and useful; I do not believe a similarly exhaustive analysis extending back to the beginning of the bombing program would justify the time and effort required.

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EDWARD W. PROCTOR
Acting Deputy Director for Intelligence

Attachments

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